Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Sunday 21 May 2023 until 23:59 on Monday 22 May 2023

Forecast Issued on Saturday 20 May 2023 at 10:58 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High confidence for unsettled conditions with rain at first Sunday and again Wednesday with drier and brighter conditions Monday and Tuesday.

Headline for Sunday 21 May 2023: Cloudy with light rain becoming dry with sunny spells.

Mountain weather hazards on Sunday 21 May 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
No Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Medium Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light rain	Light rain	Light rain	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals
Precipitation probability							
60%	50%	30%	20%	20%	10%	10%	10%

Forecast for Sunday 21 May 2023

Weather: Dry with clear spells along western coasts and Isles otherwise cloudy with light rain in the east overnight. Rain soon clears eastern ranges in the morning leaving the rest of the day dry but cloudy with sunny spells in the west spreading east through the afternoon.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 20% rising 50% in the afternoon but 80% in the west.

Low cloud and visibility: Extensive low cloud 500-600m with poor visibility in any rain in the morning but patchy cloud with good visibility over west coasts. Away from the west coast, cloud breaks and rises to 900-1100m by the afternoon.

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Forecast for Sunday 21 May 2023

Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	10/13 NW	11/14 NW	9/11 N	7/10 N	6/9 NE	7/12 NE	7/11 NW	7/10 NW	7/9 W
900	10/13 NW	11/14 NW	9/11 N	7/10 N	6/9 NE	7/12 NE	7/11 NW	7/10 NW	6/9 W
600	9/12 NW	9/12 N	7/10 N	6/9 N	5/8 NE	6/11 NE	7/11 NW	6/8 NW	5/8 NW
300	6/13 NW	7/14 N	6/10 N	4/9 N	3/9 NE	5/11 N	4/9 NW	3/7 NW	2/5 W
Glen	10/14 N	10/16 N	8/13 N	5/10 N	7/12 N	7/12 NW	5/9 W	3/6 NW	2/4 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	5/1	3/-1	2/-2	3/-0	5/2	6/3	5/2	3/1	2/-0
900	5/2	4/-0	3/-1	4/1	5/3	7/4	6/3	4/1	3/0
600	7/4	6/3	5/3	6/4	8/6	9/8	8/6	6/4	5/3
300	8/7	7/5	8/6	10/9	11/10	12/11	11/10	9/8	7/6
Glen	10/8	10/7	10/8	12/11	13/12	14/12	12/12	10/10	9/8
Freezing Level*	2300m	2000m	1600m	1500m	1600m	1700m	1700m	1500m	1300m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Nothing to add.

Forecast for Monday 22 May 2023
Weather: A dry day, cloudy across eastern ranges at first, otherwise long sunny periods.

Maximum wind: West 25-30mph gust 40mph

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 85%

Low cloud and visibility: Cloud will be patchy at 500-700m but broken at times across eastern ranges. The visibility away from cloud will be excellent.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 8 Celsius rising to plus 15 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 3 Celsius
Freezing level: Above summits

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